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Recently, I realized that the characters I've been so casually drawing on the spine of the cover only consist of the ones that made it to the final arc of the story.

—Hiromu Arakawa, 2009



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CHARACTERS
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□セリム・ブラッドレイ(プライド)

Selim Bradley (Pride)



□スカー

Scar



□オリヴィエ・ミラ・アームストロング

Olivier Mira Armstrong



□キング・ブラッドレイ

King Bradley



□スロウス

Sloth



□ゾルフ・J・キンブリー

Solf J. Kimblee



□アルフォンス・エルリック

Alphonse Elric



□エドワード・エルリック

Edward Elric



□アレックス・ルイ・アームストロング

Alex Louis Armstrong



□ロイ・マスタング

Roy Mustang

OUTLINE
FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST

Using a forbidden alchemical ritual, the Elric brothers attempted to bring their dead mother back to life. But the ritual went wrong, consuming Edward Elric's leg and Alphonse Elric's entire body. At the cost of his arm, Edward was able to graft his brother's soul into a suit of armor. Equipped with mechanical "auto-mail" to replace his missing limbs, Edward becomes a state alchemist in hopes of finding a way to restore their bodies. Their search embroils them in a deadly conspiracy that threatens to take the innocence, if not the lives, of everyone involved.

As the "Day of Reckoning" approaches, Central City has become a war zone! On one side, the Homunculi and the military leaders who have sold out their country for power; on the other, a rag-tag alliance of rebel soldiers loyal to Major General Armstrong and Roy Mustang, Ishbalan refugees and, of course, the Elric family and their allies. As things heat up on the streets, Ed, Hohenheim and Scar descend into "Father's" underground complex where they stumble upon the military's top-secret army of artificial humans. Meanwhile, on the outskirts of the capital, Al confronts the Homunculus Pride and the murderous alchemist Kimblee.

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THE PHILOS-OPHER'S STONE !!

IT'S TRUE THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO WIN IF I USE THIS...

YOUR BROTHER TOLD ME THAT HE REFUSES TO USE THIS TO GET YOUR ORIGINAL BODIES BACK.

YEAH, I KNOW.

THIS IS MADE FROM HUMAN LIVES.

...BUT ...!!

KOFF

YOU STILL CONSIDER THOSE SACRIFICED SOULS TO BE HUMAN EVEN THOUGH THEY'VE BEEN TURNED INTO A TINY PEBBLE LIKE THIS. THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING YOU TO USE IT.

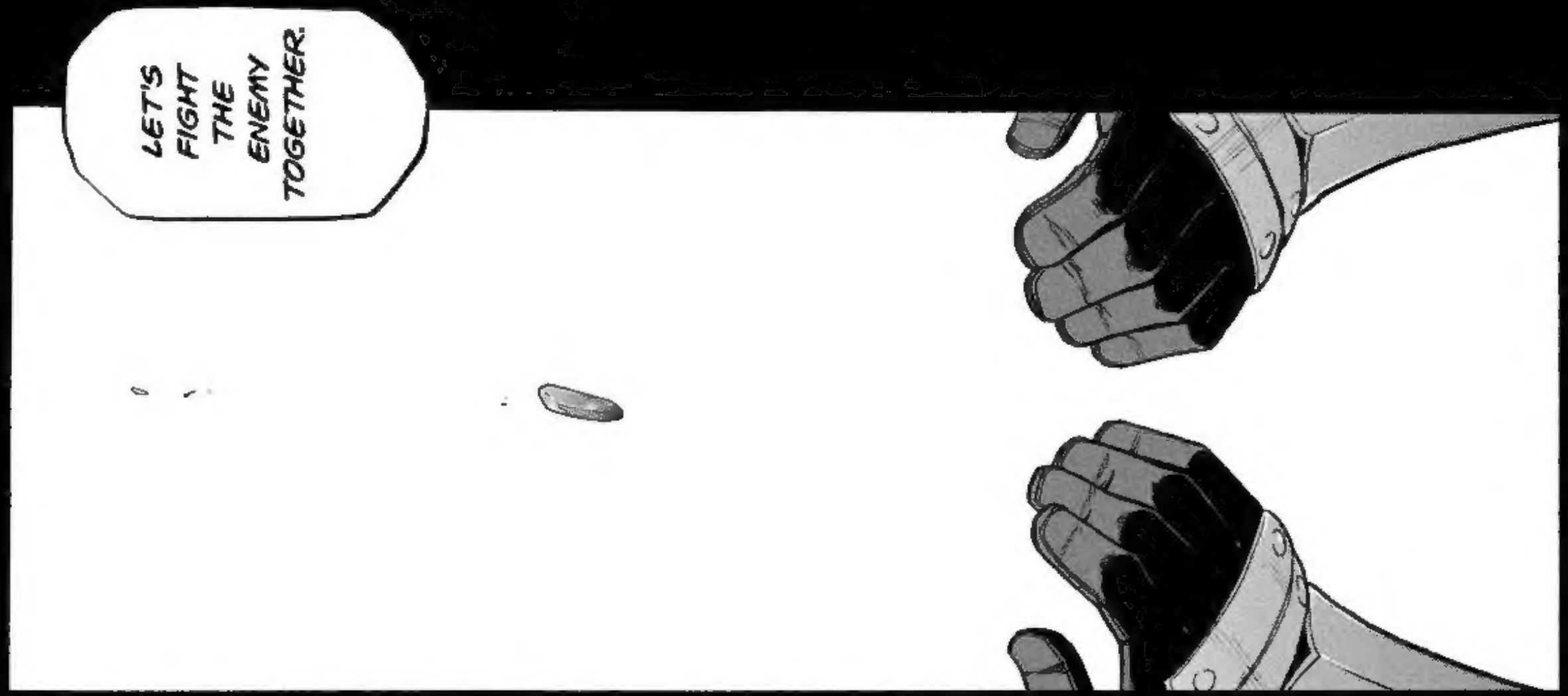
THEN INSTEAD OF USING IT FOR YOURSELVES, USE IT TO PROTECT THIS WORLD.

LET THESE PEOPLE FIGHT TOO.

NO MATTER HOW MUCH THEIR PHYSICAL APPEARANCE HAS BEEN ALTERED, EVERYONE WANTS TO FIGHT TO PROTECT WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO THEM.

OKAY.

I UNDER-STAND.



Chapter 92
With Everyone's Strength

WHERE DID YOU GET THAT?

A PHI LOSO PHER'S STONE "

WHAM

BOOSH

HWOO

OOO

ANOTHER SMOKE SCREEN...

RRGH

THOCK

THOOM

VIP

KLAFFA

THUNK

ZIP

SHUNK

SLICE SLICE SLICE SLICE


BZA
ASH


VOOM
KLANG
FWIP

WHAK WHAK WHAK WHAK

GA

ZASH

FWISH

ANG

KL

THWACK

THOOM

ZWOOP

SHF

THWOMP

SKKKRISH

TMP

FWISH

I WON'T FALL FOR THAT TRICK AGAIN !!

SHUP

GA

WOSH

VIP VIP VIP VIP VIP VIP

BRT

A FLASH BOMB ?!

CLANK

SLICE

I WON'T LET YOU !!

ZOOP

YOU FELL FOR IT.

FLA

ASH

ZWO

OOSH

IT'S THE POWER OF THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE...

HE JUST DOESN'T LET UP!

VOOOOOM

NGH...

GA

SHUNK

PREW...

BWOOO...

BUT THERE'S ONE THING I DON'T UNDER-STAND.

SHUP

THE POWER OF THE PHILOS-OPHER'S STONE IS TRULY AMAZING.

I'VE USED IT MYSELF, SO I FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT IT CAN DO.

STAGGER

WHY DON'T YOU USE THE POWER OF THAT STONE TO CHANGE YOUR BODY BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL FORM?

THEN, WOULDN'T THAT BE THE END OF YOUR JOURNEY?

YOU COULD FIND YOUR BROTHER, AND THE TWO OF YOU WOULD BE BACK TO NORMAL, JUST LIKE THAT.

WITH THE STONE IN YOUR POSSESSION, YOU COULD EASILY ESCAPE FROM US.

ABOUT THAT.

YOU KNOW HOW THINGS WORK. IN ORDER TO GET SOMETHING, ANOTHER THING MUST BE SACRIFICED.

BUT YOU COULD ACHIEVE YOUR ULTIMATE GOAL.

WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SAVE ANYONE BY DO NG THAT.

...OR WE GIVE UP OUR GOAL SO WE CAN SAVE EVERYONE. THOSE AREN'T THE ONLY TWO AVAILABLE CHOICES, YOU KNOW.

EITHER WE GET OUR ORIGINAL BODIES BACK BUT CAN'T SAVE ANYONE...

WHY ARE THERE ONLY *TWO* CHOICES ?

WHO'S TO SAY WE CAN'T GET OUR FLESH AND BLOOD BODIES BACK *AND* SAVE EVERYONE?

HUMANITY'S ADVANCEMENT IS FOUNDED ON LOOKING FOR NEW POSSIBILITIES INSTEAD OF BEING BOUND BY GENERAL PRINCIPLES.

WHAT ABOUT THE LAW OF EQUIV-ALENT EX-CHANGE?

YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO REGAIN YOUR ORIGINAL BODIES *NOR* SAVE ANYONE. YOU'D DO WELL TO BEWARE OF THAT OUTCOME.

IN OTHER WORDS, IF YOU'RE SUCCESSFUL, THEN THE LAWS OF NATURE WILL CHANGE TO FIT THE NEW REALITY.

OH, I SEE.

PAT

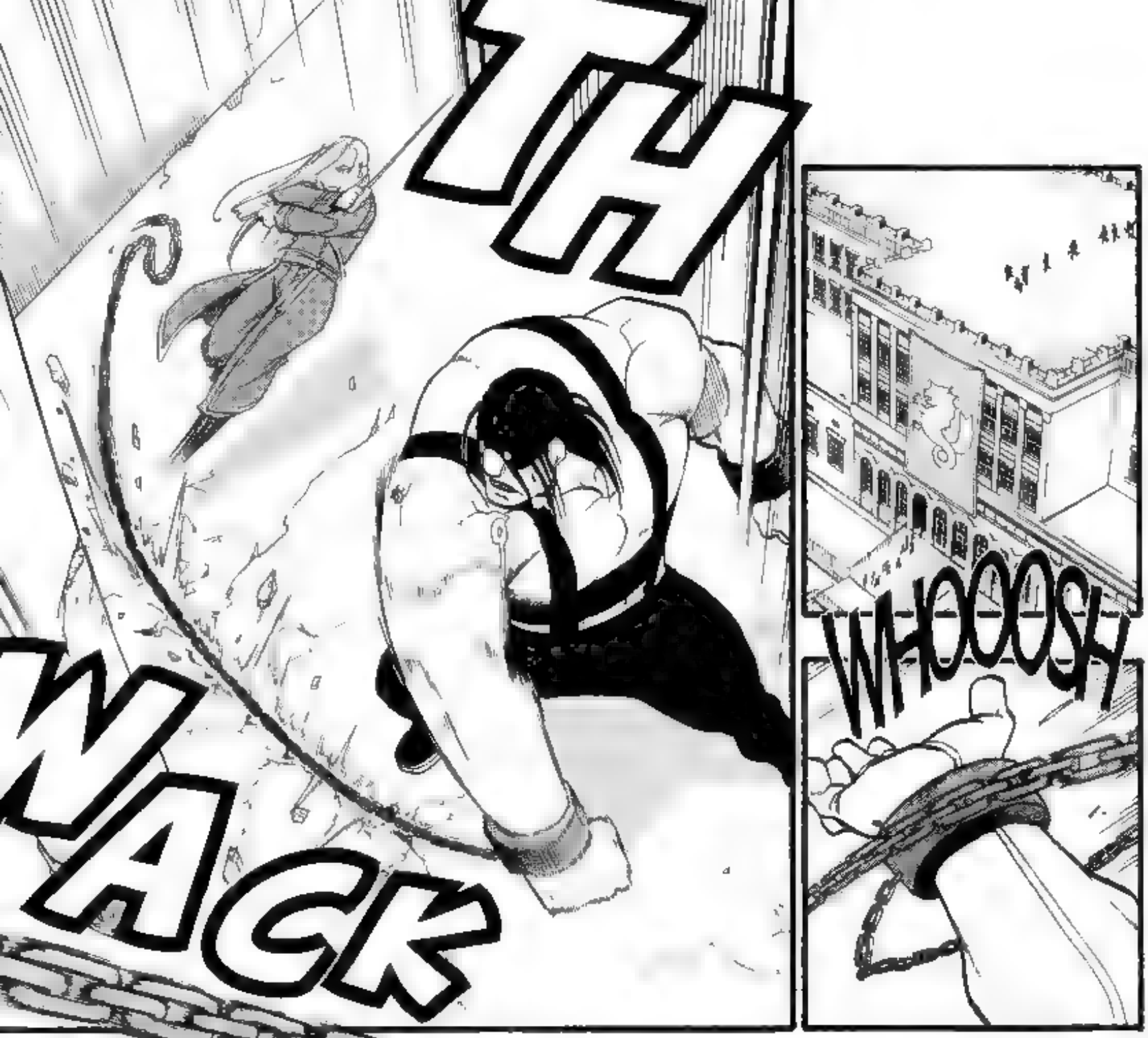
THEN HERE'S ANOTHER POSSI-BILITY

WH

!!

OOM

BOOM


TH
WHOOOSH
NACK

SKKRICH
KRAK
WORK
TOO MUCH_
HIT TING YOU IS_
STOP_
_MOVING

BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
SKA
AA
ACH
TOSS
?
SO BULLETS HAVE NO EFFECT.
CHING
ZIP
FWIP
TROMP
HIGH COMMAND HAS CHARGED YOU WITH TREASON AND ORDERED YOU SHOT ON SIGHT!!
TROMP
TROMP
YOU CAN'T ESCAPE, MAJOR GENERAL ARM-STRONG !

FI--

RRG ?!

READY! AIM!

KRAK

KER-

PLUK

WHAT A FOOL, KEEPING YOUR MEN BUNCHED UP IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS!

KA BOOM

FWIP

?

KOFF

GAGH

KOFF

!!

CLOMP

I HOPE THAT AT LEAST WOUNDS THE BRUTE...

MOWU

MOWU

CLENCH

CLENCH

CLENCH

CLENCH

CLENCH

...NO SNEAKING OFF

THIS TIME...

TIME TO DIE...

...LADY GENERAL

...GOT...

...YOU.

SQUEEZE

KRAK

KRIK

NNGH...

KRAK

THW

OCK

WHUMP

FWUMP

THUMP

HELLO..

I TRUST THAT YOU'RE...

FLEX

FLEX

FLEX

...SIS.

FLEX

FLEX

FLEX

TA-DUM

...ALL RIGHT?!

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE TALKING TO, ALEX?!

IT'S A HOMUNCULUS!

BY THE WAY, WHAT IS THAT?!

HUP!!

WELL, THAT SOUNDS LIKE MY FORTE!

IS THAT SO?!

IT'LL TAKE AT LEAST A CANNON TO BRING IT DOWN.

BULLETS DON'T EVEN FAZE IT.

KA-

HMPH!

YAH!!!

BLAM

I'M JUST WARMING UP!!

WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

LEAP

SPURT

GNK

SH

UGH.

GAH.

GOOD! IT CAN BE DAMAGED BENEATH ITS SKIN!

BUT DYING_

_IS_

_TOO MUCH WORK TOO

STMBLE

TOO MUCH WORK_

GON-NA DIE

OW

TOO MUCH WORK_

TOO MUCH WORK_

TOO MUCH WORK_

WOBBLE

NNGGAA...

WHAT?

MAJOR GENERAL ARM-STRONG! DROP YOUR WEAPON...

TRUMP

TRUMP

TRUMP

KUH?

WHAT THE HELL IS THAT BIG THING?

FWOO...

FIGHTING WITH ALL MY STRENGTH IS...

WAY

_TOO MUCH WORK


KKAAA


KLATTA
KLATTA
RM
RM
RM


L
MISS-
ED
KLUNK

...

FWOO...

!!

FWIP

SLOG

RRGH

WHOOSH

THWOMP

ZING
ZING

...!!

THIS THING... ALL THIS TIME IT WAS JUST BEING LAZY!

SUCH SPEED...

SLIT

SIS !!

I'M FINE. IT JUST GRAZED MY ARM.

IT WAS A BLUR!

WERE YOU ABLE TO FOLLOW THAT?

IT'S A BIT UNFAIR ISN'T IT?

SKIG

BEING ABLE TO MOVE AT THAT SPEED DESPITE ITS WEIGHT...

VIP

...THE FASTEST HOMUNCULUS.

I'M...

YUP.

SKITCH

WHOA...

WHOOSH

TH

WOMP

MAYBE THIS THING IS SO FAST THAT IT CAN'T CONTROL ITS OWN MOVEMENT...

...!!


GOT YOU...
AT LAST

NGH...

GUH
GUH
GUH
GUH
GUH
GUH

NGH...

NGH...

POP KRIK
KRAK

SKUF
SKUF

WH

AM

YAAH!

RRGH!

KER-

KRASH

!!

KRAK

JUST A FRAC-TURE.

PEH

ALEX !

HRM...

IT'S ONLY A DISLO-CATION.

AND YOU, SIS?

THOOM

KER-KRASH

AGAIN?

WHOA!

BIG SIS!

ARGH

KOFF KOFF

SLOG

AND TAKE A NAP

...FINISH YOU OFF...

GONNA..

OM

KLATA KLATA

KLATA KLUNK KRAK THUNK

KIM-
BLEE

ZWOO

THE COLLISION OF TWO STRONG WILLS PRODUCES SUCH A BEAUTIFUL SOUND!

SHUDDER SHUDDER

AH... HOW EXQUI-SITE.

SNIFF SNIFF

OF COURSE HE IS.

..IS STILL CLOSE BY.

ALPHONSE ELRIC...

I DOUBT HE WOULD RUN AWAY.

GRIT...

TING

KLANG

BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM

TOSS

BOOM

AAAH !!!

THERE YOU ARE!!

BAM

BOOF

HUP!

SLAP

WHOOM

SHIF

SHIF

ANOTHER SMOKE SCREEN? HOW PREDICT-ABLE...

ZWOO

ZWOO

IT'S NO USE.

KLANK

KREAK

ARE YOU SURE ?

CHECK-MATE.

SHUNK

SHUNK

NOW I'LL SHOW YOU HOW TENACIOUS HUMANS CAN BE.

WHO SAID I WAS ALONE ?!

YOU MAY HAVE A PHILOSO-PHER'S STONE, BUT THERE'S NO WAY THAT YOU CAN DEFEAT US ON YOUR OWN!

?!

WHERE DID HE PUT THE STONE...?

IT CAN'T BE..!!

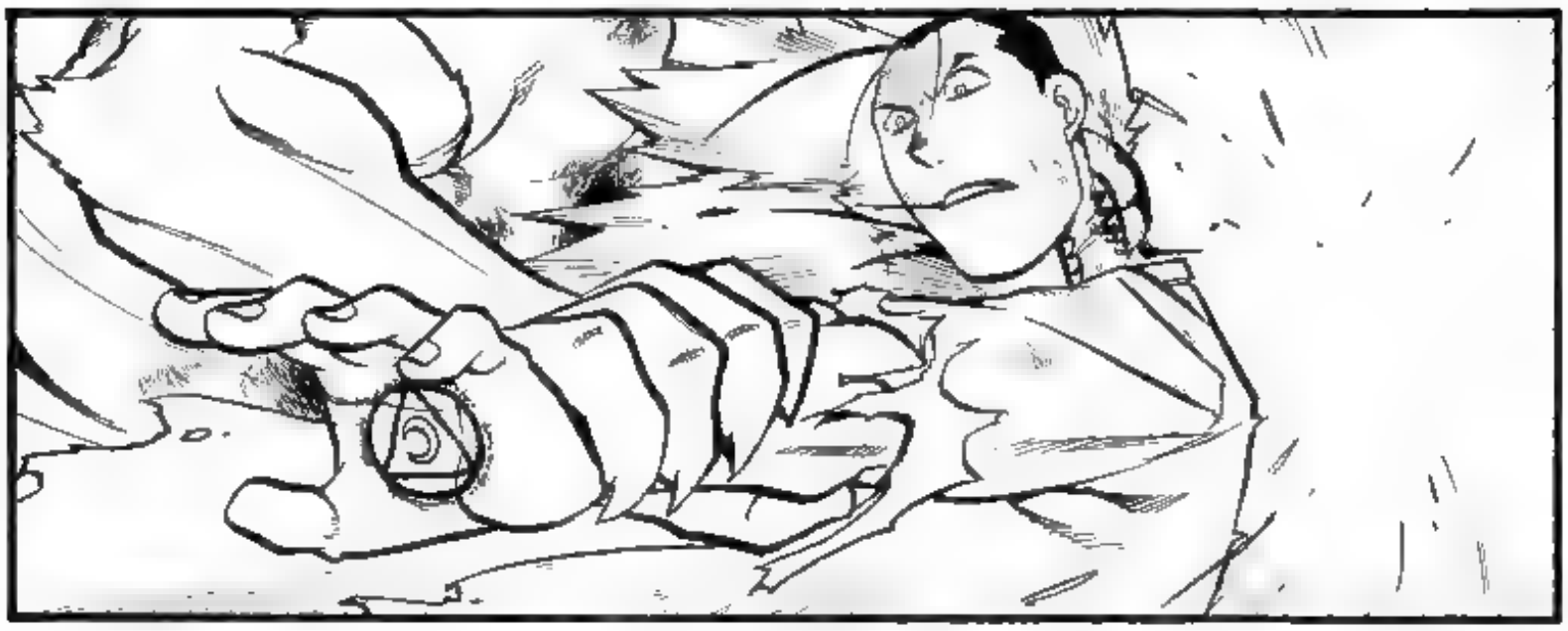
THIS DUST CLOUD WASN'T JUST MEANT TO GIVE ALPHONSE COVER..

KIMBLEE!! THEY'RE COMING FROM DOWN--

HE WAS USING IT TO CONCEAL THE ACTIONS OF HIS ALLIES DOWNWIND, WHERE MY SENSE OF SMELL CAN'T REACH!!


C


HOMP




SPU
URT




FWUHP

WHIP

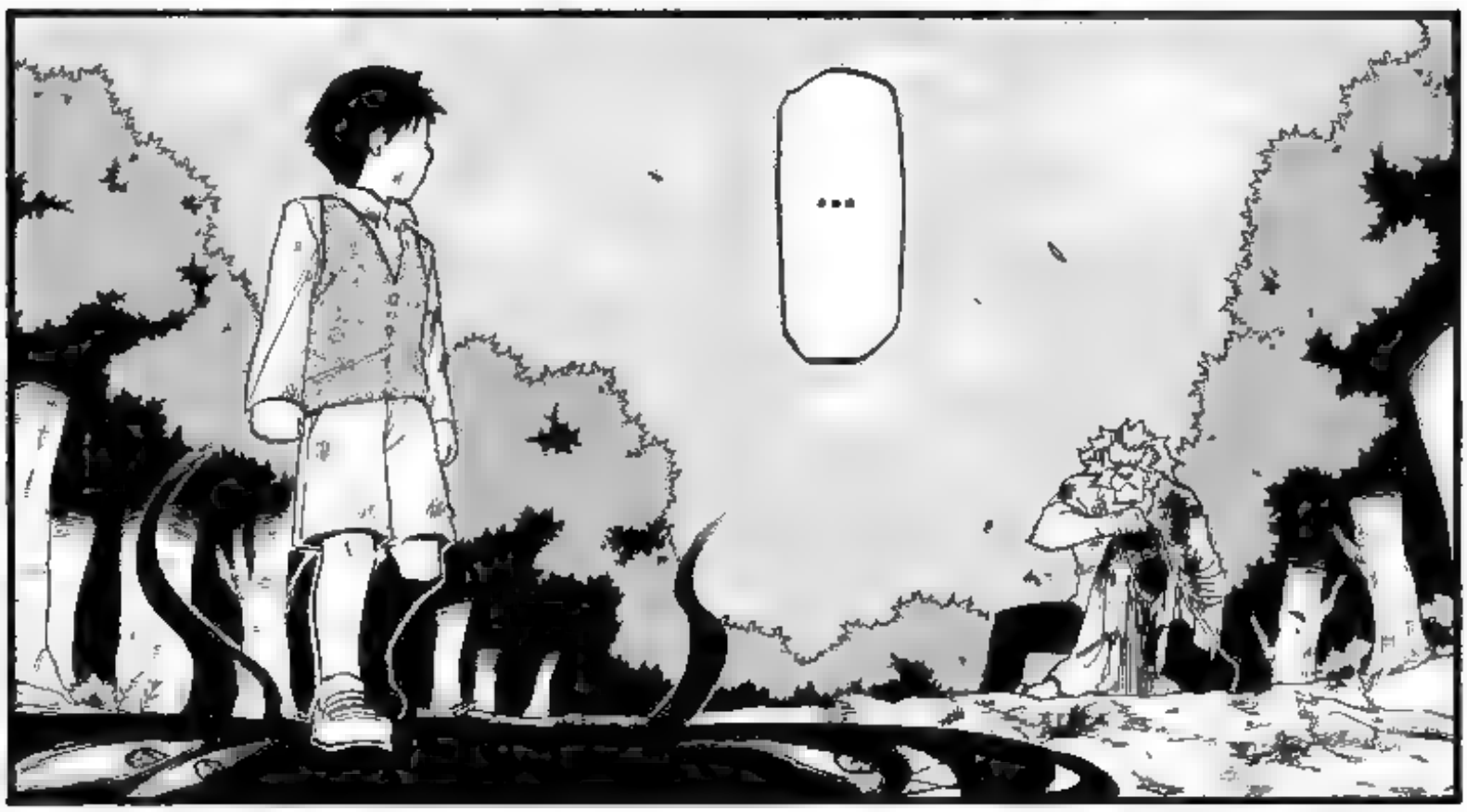
CLENCH

WHOA !

HUP

HERE HE COMES !!


FLINCH


...


...
BASED ON HIS PERSONALITY, I THOUGHT HE WOULD ATTACK WITHOUT REGARD FOR KIMBLEE'S LIFE.
IS IT HOLDING BACK BECAUSE I'M USING KIMBLEE AS A SHIELD?
WHAT THE...?

BUT YOUR KIND CAN NEVER WIN..

JUST AS YOU SAID, HUMANS ARE A TENACIOUS LOT.

I SEE.

...NOT WHILE FATHER IS IN CENTRAL CITY.

SKRE

EE

!!

VRMM

TWIK

NOT THAT THAT'S YOUR PROBLEM. YOU'LL NEVER LEAVE THIS PLACE ALIVE.

CA-

CHING

SKRE

EEECH

!

I~

I~

I DID IT...?

I-
I-
I..

WHO'S THAT...?

WHA...?!

I DID IT !!!

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

YEAAAAH!!!

YOKIIIII?!

ｸﾀｸﾀﾈｯﾄ

KLANK

KLANK

KLANK

RIGHT ON! GOOD JOB, MUS-TACHE !!

I DESERVE TO LOOK COOL ONCE IN A WHILE TOO, DAMN IT!!

I COULDN'T LET YOU GUYS HAVE ALL THE GLORY !!

VROOM

VROOM

I NEVER THOUGHT THAT YOU WOULD COME !

KLANK

WHERE'D YOU GET THE CAR?

IT'S THE ONE THAT KIMBLEE ARRIVED IN.

UWAAAAH

I DID IT !!!

I, YOKI, HAVE STRUCK A BLOW AGAINST THE MIGHTIEST OF THE HOMUNCULI...

!

HUP...

NICE ONE, DR. MARCOH !

HA HA

HEE HEE

WHAT THE ?

HUH ?

I HAD HIS DRIVERS TAKE A LITTLE REST.

SKREEEECH

ALL RIGHT, LET'S GO!!

PLOP

SKKKICH

TH

WOMP

OW !!

BOMP

HWOOO

KA-BOOM-P

SHUT UP AND DRIVE!! FASTER, YOU FOOL!!

AAAAAH!! AAAAAH!! AAAAAH!!

SKREEEEECH

SKICH

BONK

OUCH

KUNK

KLATA RATTA THUNK KLATA

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF FIGHTING THAT MONSTER FACE-TO-FACE!!

GO TO CENTRAL CITY !!

WE'LL HOOK BACK UP WITH ED AND THE OTHERS SO WE CAN DESTROY THIS SO-CALLED FATHER BEFORE THAT THING CATCHES UP TO US!!

VROOOOOOSH

VROOM

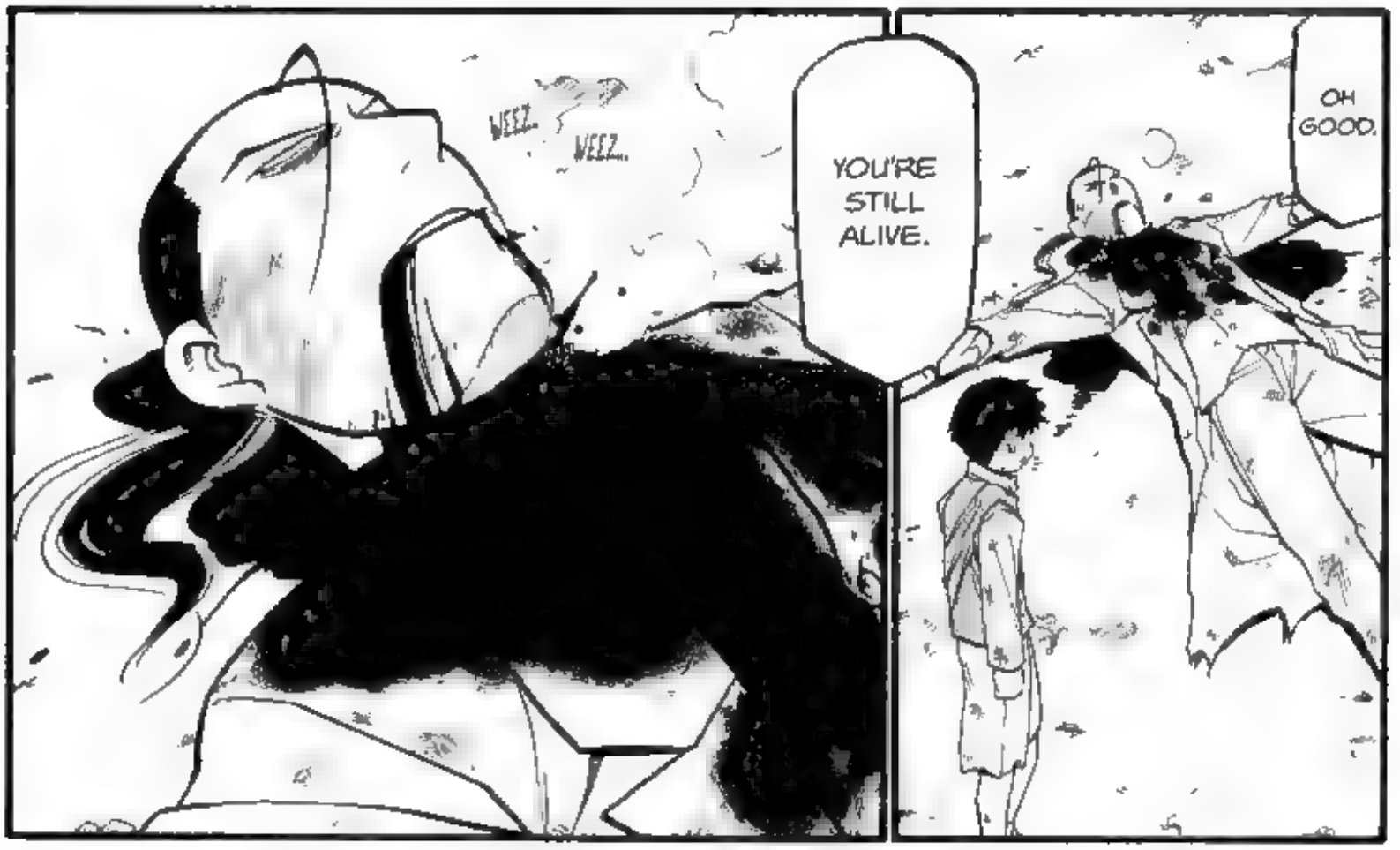
SNAP CRUNCH

CRUNCH

CRUNCH CRUNCH

HUMANS LIKE THEM, BLINDED BY THEIR SENSE OF DUTY, ARE SO EASY TO TRICK.


HUFF...
WEEZ...


WEEZ.
WEEZ..
YOU'RE STILL ALIVE.
OH GOOD.


GRIN
IT APPEARS YOU HUMANS AREN'T AT THE TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN AFTER ALL!


HE FOLLOWED THE LAW OF THE JUNGLE, SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST, AND WENT STRAIGHT FOR YOUR THROAT.
THAT OLD FRIEND OF YOURS IS TRULY THE KING OF BEASTS.


YOUR SUIT'S NEW COLOR LOOKS GOOD ON YOU, KIMBLEE.

IT MUST BE UTTERLY HUMILIATING TO PERISH IN A PLACE LIKE THIS.

YOU SAID THAT...

...YOU WANTED TO SEE WHAT PATH THE WORLD WOULD CHOOSE, DIDN'T YOU?

WEEZ...

GAGH

GUCK

KOFF

BUT DON'T WORRY.

ZWU...

ALCHEMY SURE COMES IN HANDY.

CENTRAL MEAT

DOESN'T IT?

VROOOM

USING ALCHEMY, CHANGING THE EXTERIOR OF THE TRUCK IS EASY.

ISN'T THAT KINDA CONSPICUOUS?

FOR REAL?

APPARENTLY THE RENEGADES ARE DRIVING AN ICE CREAM TRUCK.

SO... IT'S NO GOOD OVER HERE EITHER.

JUST AS WE FEARED, SIR.

VROOM

ALL THE GATES IN EVERY DIRECTION HAVE BEEN CLOSED OFF.

Chapter 93
Archenemy

YOU'LL CONTINUE TO LIVE ON INSIDE ME.

CRUNCH
MUNCH

WHAT SHOULD WE DO, SIR?

LET'S LEAVE THE DIRTY WORK ON THE OUTSIDE TO THE BRIGGS GUYS.

WE'LL TAKE THE *OTHER* ROUTE.

KLATA

KLANK

KLATA

TUNK

WHAT HAP-PENED ...?

UGH.

TROMP TROMP TROMP !

ARGH.

SPLURT

DRIP DRIP DRIP

ALEX !!




WE KNOW IT'LL COME CHARGING IN, SO ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS LIE IN WAIT!

SHNF
GAGH..
SHNF
OOG..
SHNF
OW...
SISTER, CAN YOU STAND?
CHAK
CHAK

WHAT?!

THAT'S TER-RIBLE!!

OH YEAH, THEY'VE ISSUED AN ORDER TO SHOOT ME ON SIGHT.

I'VE DECIDED TO GIVE THE FAMILY MANSION TO MUSTANG IF I DIE!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!

I'M GOING TO BE THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY, SO YOU NEED TO SIGN THE PROPER DOCUMENTS BEFORE YOU DIE!

GASHUNK

TOO MUCH...WORK

RRGH...

W-WHAT THE HECK IS THAT?

RR

GG

NO IDEA...

IS THAT HOW YOU SPEAK TO THE PERSON WHO JUST SAVED YOUR LIFE?!

GYAAGYAA

SQABBLE SQABBLE

BETTER AN IDIOT OUTSIDER THAN A TOTAL INCOMPETENT LIKE YOU!

?!

AIEEE!

BLAM BLAM

WAAH!

MURMUR MURMUR

TAT TAT

COULD IT BE MUS-TANG'S MEN...?

IS IT THE ENEMY?!

WHAT IS IT?!

GYAAA!

FWUMP

RAT-TA-TAT-TAT

CHOMP

WHAM

BOOM

AAAAAAAH!

I KEEP SHOOTING THEM, BUT THEY WON'T DIE!!

RAT-TA-TAT

W-WHAT THE HELL ARE THOSE THINGS?!!

TAT-TA-TAT-TA-TAT

CRUNK

THEY'RE PROBABLY RELATED TO *THIS THING*.

THEY'RE BEING CONTROLLED BY THE SAME PEOPLE WHO ARE GIVING YOU ORDERS.

YOU IDIOT!! DON'T MISTAKE MY POWERFUL TROOPS WITH THOSE PALE, SCRAWNY RUNTS!!

GYAAAAH!

ARE THEY BRIGGS TROOPS?!

AIEEE!
BLAM
WAAAH!
SEEMS LIKE THEY DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU KNEW ABOUT IT OR NOT, DOESN'T IT?
WE HAVEN'T BEEN INFORMED OF ANY SUCH THING!!
SHNK SHNK SHNK
URGH
FSHHHH
TAT-TAT
HELP! HELP!
BLAM
ER...
IF YOU WANT, MY BROTHER AND I CAN TAKE THOSE MONSTERS ON.
WHAT WILL YOU DO?
FLINCH
WUMP
SNAP
KRIK
GLUK
KRAK

WELL? WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?!

TMP

'KREEEEE...

TRMBL TRMBL

WILL YOU KILL US NOW, ONLY TO BE SLAUGHTERED BY THAT MONSTER?!

MAKE YOUR OWN CHOICE !!

OR WILL YOU COOPERATE WITH US TO BRING IT DOWN?!

BAM

BAM

DOOM

WHAM

VIP VIP

HUP!

YIKES!

VIP VIP VIP

WHOA

TH

WACK

SHUF SHUF SHUF

OH!

NOT AGAIN !!

IT'S NO USE! THESE LIVING DOLL SOLDIERS ARE FUELED BY PHILOSOPHER'S STONES!

GRAAH

EEEEEEK?!

UH...

GH!

SNAP

IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN THAT TO KILL THEM!

GLUNCH

VOOM

GLUP GLURK BLUG GURP

...I JUST ABSORBED ANOTHER ONE OF THEM AND GOT EVEN STRONGER!

GLURK

GHAAH

LOOKEE HERE, GIRL! WHILE YOU KEEP RUNNING WAY..

SWIP

HAH !!

YOU DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?!

IT'S HARD TO DEAL WITH A BIG GROUP OF THOSE DOLLS...

...BUT RUNNING AWAY FROM YOU IS EASY!

VOOM

DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH !!

ARE YOU CALLING ME INFERIOR TO THOSE PATHETIC TOYS?!

IF THESE DOLLS HAVE HAD A PHILOSOPHER'S STONE INSERTED INTO THEM...

OOOOOOOGH

...I SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND A LARGE STONE IF I CAN GET TO WHERE THEY CAME FROM!

HII-

YAAAAAAH!!

KRAK

KRAK

KRAK

KRAK

KRAK

SHRRIP

FWUMP

FWUMP

THEY JUST KEEP COMING!

GYAAAAA

AL OOOOO

SLICE

THERE'S NO END TO THIS!!

GLEK

WHEEZE WHEEZE

I'M ALMOST OUT OF QUILLS !!

MY SALIVA'S ALMOST GONE TOO..

PANT

VIP VIP VIP

VIP VIP VIP

GHA AHH

PEH

DRAG

!!

ED !!

WOOO...

OH NO...

KABOOM

?!

SO YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KNOCKED-OUT GUARDS UPSTAIRS?

KLAK

YOU LOOK LIKE YOU COULD USE A HAND...

...FULL-METAL.

...COLO-NEL!

YOU SURE HAVE A KNACK FOR SHOWING UP AT THE LAST POSSIBLE SECOND...

I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T LIKE WATER, SIR.

IT MAKES YOUR POWERS USE-LESS!

I WISH I COULD SEE SUCH PURE EMOTION ON YOUR FACE AGAIN.

I CAN STILL PICTURE YOU CRYING.

THIS PLACE REALLY BRINGS BACK MEMORIES, LIEUTEN-ANT.

HURRY UP AND FIGHT!!

ER... SCAR!

WE'LL TALK LATER!

THOCK

WHAM

WE NEED TO KILL THESE WHITE THINGS, RIGHT?

CHAK

UNDER-STOOD.

DON'T GIVE ME ANY RDERS.

IRK

I.

...AND HELP US OUT!!

STOP GRAND-STAND-ING...

NOT AGAIN?!

IT TAKES MORE THAN GUNS TO KILL THESE THINGS!!

THAT'S USE-LESS!

WHAM

IGNORED?!

DRAG

DRAG

OOU

OOU

GI

GI

GI

I SEE. SO THAT'S WHY YOU'RE ATTACKING THEIR LEGS.

THERE'VE BEEN A LOT OF THOSE RE-CENTLY...

ONE

FOO

FSHH FSHH FSHH

IF YOU'RE HAVING TROUBLE WITH THESE THINGS, YOU'VE STILL GOT A LONG WAY TO GO.

LUNGE

WHY, YOU... STOP MOVING!!

WHAM BAM WHAM

COME BACK HERE, YOU LITTLE BRAT!!

HUP TUP TUP TUP TUP TUP

CRUMBL CRUMBL CRUMBL

!

UH-OH...

HUH ?!

KRAK

BOOM

KLANK KLATA KLUNK

KRUS?

MAY ?!

OW OW OW...

HEY... THAT'S--!

ENVY!!

HUH?

YOU GUYS...

KOFF KOFF

AW MAN, YOU REALLY DID A NUMBER ON THESE GUYS, DIDN'T YOU?

GI

GI GI

SKICH SKICH

OH, EVEN THOSE DAMNED CHIMERA THAT WERE SO NICE TO ME UP NORTH ARE HERE TOO.

THE FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST, THE FLAME ALCHEMIST AND SCAR...

BUT...

BUT...

FOOLISH GIRL! WHY DIDN'T YOU GO BACK TO YOUR COUNTRY?!

MR. SCAR!

AND MR. EDWARD!

WHO SHOULD I TAKE CARE OF FIRST?

WELL THEN...

IF I REMEMBER RIGHT, IT'S THE SHAPE-SHIFTING HOMUNCULUS.

THIS IS *ENVY*?

HE'S ONE OF THE STATE ALCHEMISTS THAT FOUGHT IN ISHBAL, ISN'T HE?

!!!

ARE YOU REALLY ALL RIGHT WITH HIM, SCAR?

OH, BUT...

SO YOU'VE HEARD OF ME?

NICE TO MEET YOU, COLONEL MUSTANG.

...

THAT'S RIGHT.

THEN AGAIN, I CAN'T LET THE COLONEL DIE JUST YET! *HA HA HA!!*

I LOVE WATCHING YOU INSECTS FIGHT AMONGST YOURSELVES!

CAN'T YOU GUYS MUSTER UP A LITTLE GRUDGE MATCH?!

YOU'RE ALLIES NOW ?!

HOW BOR-ING !

WE HAVE NO TIME TO GO ALONG WITH YOUR PATHETIC GAMES.

YOU'RE RIGHT! I DO ENJOY WATCHING FOOLS BEING MANIPULATED LIKE PUPPETS!

HEY !!

PATHETIC? OKAY THEN, LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION!

DON'T YOU HUMANS ALSO LOVE WATCHING FOOLS SUFFER AND DANCE ABOUT LIKE PUPPETS?

ISN'T THAT WHY YOU'RE ALWAYS AT WAR?

IRK

I'VE ANSWERED YOUR QUESTION.

NOW ANSWER MINE.

ESPECIALLY WHEN THOSE FOOLS BEING MANIPULATED ARE HOMUNCULI!

WHO KILLED MAES HUGHES ?

IT WASN'T HER.

NO.

...THE ONE YOU BURNED TO DEATH.

IT WAS MARIA ROSS...

...IDIOT.

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD, SHUT UP...

AND? WHAT DID YOU TELL HER PARENTS? DID YOU APOLOGIZE WITH TEARS IN YOUR EYES? OR DID YOU STAY QUIET ABOUT IT BECAUSE YOU WERE AFRAID OF THEIR ANGER?

NICE GOING! HOW CRUEL!

HAH!

SO YOU INCINERATED AN INNOCENT WOMAN!

WHO KILLED HUGHES?

JUST HURRY UP AND GIVE ME THE FACTS, YOU FOOL.

I'M GETTING TIRED OF ASKING YOU HOMUNCULI THIS QUESTION.

HA HA HA!

HEH HEH HEH HEH.

HEH HEH...

HEH...

!

CHK

I SEVERELY DOUBT THAT HUGHES COULD'VE BEEN KILLED BY A FOOL LIKE YOU.

HEH HEH

HEH

CONGRATULATIONS, COLONEL MUSTANG.

YOU'VE FINALLY FOUND YOUR KILLER.

THE REAL FOOL...

...IS HUGHES FOR FALLING FOR A SIMPLE TRICK LIKE THIS!!!

WHAT A GREAT EXPRESSION !!

HAH HA HA!! I WISH YOU COULD SEE YOUR FACE RIGHT NOW!!

PRICELESS!! HA HA HA HA HA HA!!

THE LOOK OF DESPAIR AS HE THOUGHT HE WAS BEING SHOT TO DEATH BY HIS OWN BELOVED WIFE--

TALK ABOUT CRAZY EXPRES-SIONS...

KILLING HUGHES WAS GREAT FUN!!

NOW THAT I KNOW THAT AS A FACT...

YOU KILLED HUGHES.

THAT'S SET-TLED.

PUNCH

EEP

...THERE'S NO NEED TO SAY ANYTHING ELSE, ENVY.

I'M GOING TO BURN YOU TO ASH, STARTING WITH YOUR TONGUE.



Chapter 94
The Flames of Vengeance



FULLMETAL
ALCHEMIST

MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
I HOPE NOT.
COULD T BE TERROR-ISTS ?
THERE'S BEEN NO NEWS WHATSO-EVER.
I DON'T KNOW !
WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHAT'S HAP-PENING ?
ARE THEY PLAYING THE ENEMY'S MUSIC ?
SSHH
IS THAT TRUE, FIRST LADY BRADLEY ?
TUNE TO RADIO CAPITAL !
TING TING TING
HEY, THE RADIO! TURN ON THE RADIO !
K-LA-CK
OPEN
WHAT'S GOING ON?
THAT STATION IS SO BORING.
RADIO CAPITAL ?
SOME-THING AMAZING IS HAPPEN-ING! HURRY!
HURRY UP BEFORE THE MILITARY SHUTS DOWN THE BROAD-CAST!!

THEY POINTED THEIR GUNS AT YOU AND THREATENED TO SHOOT?

YES.

YES. THE CENTRAL CITY MILITARY TRIED TO KILL ME.

THEY SAID, "KILL HER ALONG WITH MUSTANG'S MEN."

SO SOMEONE HERE IN THE CAPITAL HAS SEIZED THIS OPPORTUNITY TO STAGE A COUP IN THE PRESIDENT'S ABSENCE?

YES.

PRESIDENT BRADLEY HAS GONE TO INSPECT THE EASTERN REGION AND IS PRESENTLY NOT IN CENTRAL CITY, IS THAT TRUE?

RADIO CAPITAL

MAYBE IT'S A HOAX?

IS THAT TRUE ?

ALL THE GATES TO CENTRAL COMMAND HAVE BEEN CLOSED, AND I CAN'T GET IN TOUCH WITH ANYONE ON THE INSIDE.

THERE'S NO WAY TO KNOW FOR SURE.

HOW AW-FUL.

CHATTER

CHATTER

SOME-ONE, PLEASE..

POOR LADY..

I WONDER IF SELIM IS ALL RIGHT.

CHATTER

I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH MY SON !!

CHATTER

CHATTER

PLEASE... OH... PLEASE !!

SELIM..

CAN SOMEBODY OTHER THAN BRADLEY REALLY RUN THIS COUNTRY?

WE'RE ALL GLAD THAT YOU'RE ALIVE AT LEAST.

WHO STAGED THE COUP?

I'M SURE YOUR SON IS FINE, FIRST LADY BRADLEY.

IF... COLONEL MUSTANG HADN'T SAVED ME, WHO KNOWS WHAT WOULD'VE HAPPENED...

PWP PWP

NOPE.

WHSP PST

NO ONE'S TOLD THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE THAT SELIM IS A HOMUNCULUS?

AND NO ONE TOLD HER THAT THE PRESIDENT'S MISSING EITHER.

PST WHSP

THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF IS CURRENTLY MISSING.

...BUT A FEW HOURS AGO, SOMEONE BOMBED THE TRAIN THE PRESIDENT WAS RIDING IN.

THE FIRST LADY HASN'T HEARD ABOUT IT YET...

NOW WE KNOW WHAT.

FOR SOME TIME NOW, COLONEL MUSTANG HAS BEEN SUSPICIOUS OF CERTAIN BACKROOM MEETINGS AT HIGH COMMAND. HE'S BEEN CONVINCED THAT SOME OF THE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN PLOTTING SOMETHING.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?!!

KLACK

FIRST LADY BRADLEY !!

A FACTION IN HIGH COMMAND IS TRYING TO DEPOSE THE PRESIDENT!!

YOU KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T!!

STOP THE BROAD-CAST IMMEDI-ATELY!!

YOU FOOLS !!

THEY'VE TAKEN HOSTAGES! THEY HAVE GUNS POINTED AT THE CREW.

WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE !!

ON AIR

I'LL TALK TO HIM DIRECT-LY !!

PUT MUS-TANG ON THE PHONE !!

NO PROB-LEM, KEEP ROLL-ING !!

THERE'S JUST TOO MANY OF THEM!

BINK

BINK

TSUP

AAAAH, I'M SORRY!! DON'T SHOOT!!

HEY... WHAT THE...?!

KLAK

TSUP

YEAH!!

THE MEDIA WILL NEVER CAVE TO POLITICAL POWER!!

YOU'D HAVE TO BE AN IDIOT TO STOP A SCOOP LIKE THIS!

ON AIR

ALL RIGHT, DON'T STOP THE BROADCAST!!

PERFECT!

HOW WAS THAT?!

...AND FOR THE SAKE OF JUSTICE, WE ARE PREPARED TO GIVE OUR LIVES TO STOP THESE EVIL MEN FROM CORRUPTING OUR GREAT NATION.

...MEAGER AS OUR EFFORTS MIGHT BE, HAVE TAKEN IT UPON OURSELVES TO CARRY OUT THE WILL OF THE PRESIDENT...

W WHAT?!

MUTTER

MUTTER

CHATTER

S BRADLEY DEAD?

COLONEL MUSTANG AND WE WHO SUPPORT HIM...

MUTTER

CHATTER

THAT VOICE... IT CAN'T BE...

NO WAY...

WHA...

HUH...?

HOPEFULLY, THE PEOPLE TAKE THE BAIT.

HEE HEE HEE

BUT HOW BOLD OF YOU TO USE THE WORD "JUSTICE."

WITH BRADLEY GONE, WE'RE FREE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE POWER THAT'S ATTACHED TO HIS NAME.

HA HA HA HA!

HA HA HA

YUP.

WHO-EVER SAYS IT FIRST WINS.

IT HAS A NICE RING TO IT.

EVERY-ONE LOVES THAT WORD, DON'T THEY?

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU USED SUCH A VAGUE, FRIVOLOUS WORD LIKE "JUSTICE."

I'LL USE WHAT-EVER WORD I NEED TO.

THE FIRST LADY WAS ALMOST MUR-DERED!

WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON?

WE JUST ARRIVED FROM THE EAST AND CAN TELL YOU IT'S A FACT THAT THE PRESIDENT'S TRAIN WAS BLOWN UP.

MUS-TANG'S MEN SPEAK THE TRUTH.

IF RADIO CAPITAL IS ATTACKED AND THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE DIES, WE'LL KNOW FOR SURE THAT THE HIGH COMMAND IS GUILTY.

WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN TO THE PRESI-DENT AND HIS FAMILY ?

WHAT? SO IT REALLY IS A COUP ?

THE LEADER OF THEIR COUNTRY IS MISSING, AND YET THEY HAVEN'T TOLD THE PEOPLE?

SO THE PEOPLE OF CENTRAL CITY STILL HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT THIS?

CHATTER

WHAT'S TAKING THE URBAN COM-MANDO SQUAD SO LONG?!

WUUU WUUU WUUU

I HOPE HE HASN'T BEEN KILLED...

HE MUST'VE BEEN TAKEN HOS-TAGE...

WHAT ABOUT SELIM ?

GAB

SURELY THEY CAN'T POSE A THREAT !

APPARENTLY, THE ENEMY IS BETTER ARMED THAN WE ANTICIPATED. THE COMMANDOS ARE ON THE DEFENSIVE...

SIR, IT'S A MESSAGE FROM THE COM-MANDO SQUAD !!

IT'S NOT AS IF THEY HAVE A TANK !

?!

THOSE BRIGGS GUYS, THEY EVEN BROUGHT A--

GAAGH !!

GIVE ME A FULL RE-PORT SPEAK !!

IT TOOK YOU LONG ENOUGH !!

THEY SOUND PAN-ICKED...

GRAB

KRUNK KRUNK KRUNK

EVEN HAD WHAT ?!!

HEY !!

HM ?

..HUH ?

KM

?!

KRUMK
KRUMK
KRUMK

RRRUMB

BO

OM

THIS PREY IS MINE.

FULL METAL...

SCAR

I'LL HANDLE THIS.

GREAT !

WE'LL JUST BE ON OUR WAY THEN..

...

AAAAH!!!

GWOOM

BZZT

I STILL NEED TO REPAY YOU FOR WHAT YOU DID TO ME UP NORTH...

WHO SAID YOU COULD LEAVE ?!

GLURK GLURK

FOOM

CRACKLE

CAN YOU REALLY AFFORD TO BE TALKING TO THEM WHEN YOU'VE GOT *ME* TO DEAL WITH?

GEGH!

SHOOF

JUDGING BY HOW MUCH YOU RUN YOUR MOUTH OFF, I'M GUESSING YOU HAVE A RATHER *FAT TONGUE*.

THAT MUST BE WHY IT BURNS SO WELL...

...ENVY.

LIEU-TEN-ANT...

ARE YOU SURE THE TWO OF YOU CAN HANDLE THIS?

HAH

GAH


WE'LL MANAGE SOME-HOW.


IF WE CAN'T... THEN...


THE COLO-NEL WILL BE FINE.
YOU SAW HOW MUCH FIRE-POWER HE HAS, RIGHT ?
THERE'S NO WAY HE'LL LOSE TO THAT HOMUN-CULUS.


BUT...
GO ..
...ED-WARD.
COME ON, ED.


WHAT DO YOU MEAN ?
?
IT'S NOT MUSTANG LOSING THAT WORRIES ME.

CRACKLE

KRIK

STAY BACK, LIEUTEN-ANT.

SNIK KRIK

CRUNCH

AS A SIGN OF MY RESPECT, I'LL FIGHT YOU USING MY TRUE STRENGTH.

RRRRRRRRRRR

SO I SEE... YOU'VE BEEN HUNTING FOR HUGHES'S KILLER ALL THIS TIME.

WHAT A LOYAL FRIEND YOU ARE.

SNIK

SNAK

SNIK

FZT

DON'T SAY I DIDN'T WARN YOU!!

IT'S NOT EASY TO HOLD BACK IN THIS FORM!

SIZZ

FIZZZ...

HOW DOES IT FEEL TO HAVE ALL THE FLUID IN YOUR EYES BOILED AWAY?

THE PAIN MUST BE EXCRU-CIATING, NO?

WHY, YOU..

AAAAH

ZZLE

GRAB

FOOM

KNUCKLE

THANKS FOR GIVING ME A BIGGER TARGET.

DID YOU HONESTLY THINK THAT HAVING A HUGE BODY WOULD HELP YOU WIN?! IDIOT!

GUGH

GYAAAAGH

WRITHE WRITHE WRITHE

GET UP, YOU MON-STER.

HURRY UP AND HEAL YOUR-SELF.

...

WAAAAH!

HELP ME

MOMMY

IT BURNS

HOT

AAAAH!

I'LL MAKE YOU SUFFER THIS PAIN AGAIN AND AGAIN UNTIL YOU STAY DEAD.

...IS THE FIRE THAT KILLED LUST!!

TCH...

SO THIS...

ASH

BA

FWIP

KWOM

KLATTA

KLUNK

WHAM

STOP !!

DASH

I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT THING ON MY OWN !!

YOU WAIT HERE, LIEU-TEN-ANT!

COLO-NEL!

...

COLO-NEL!

KLATA

GRUMBL

DASH

GWOON GWOON

I'VE GOT A SINKING FEELING IN THE PIT OF MY STOMACH...

I DON'T BLAME YOU.

BHOOP GLOOP

THIS PLACE SURE IS CREEPY.

THESE TUBES ARE LIKE VEINS.

GWOON GWOON

THIS WAY!

I THINK WE'RE CLOSE!

GWOON GWOON

LIKE AN ENORMOUS WRITHING MASS OF *PEOPLE*...

DOES THAT MAKE SENSE?

I'M SENSING AN IMPOSSIBLY LARGE SOURCE OF LIFE ENERGY COMING FROM THAT DIRECTION.

LIFE ENERGY?

THAT SOUND

RRUMBL

NOT REALLY, GIRL, BUT I DO GET *CREEPY*.

I HOPE WE DON'T ENCOUNTER THE ENEMY IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...

SCAR.

I NEED TO TALK TO YOU.

ABOUT THE FLAME ALCHEMIST?

AS ONE WHO WAS ONCE DRIVEN BY VENGEANCE, I KNOW WHAT HE'S FEELING.

SOONER OR LATER THOSE FLAMES OF HIS WILL BURN AWAY HIS VERY SOUL.

THAT MAN...

SHOW YOURSELF, ENVY !!

IF YOU DON'T COME OUT, I'LL FILL THIS WHOLE BUILDING WITH FIRE!!

GRR

BOOM

LOOM

!

I'M NOT LETTING YOUR FLAMES ANYWHERE NEAR FATHER'S ROOM!

DASH

LIKE HELL YOU WILL !!

...ROY.

HEL-LO...

THERE YOU ARE...

NOW'S MY CHANCE...

HAH HA!! HE FLINCHED !!

FOOM

YOUR MOCKERY IS ONLY ADDING OIL TO THE FIRE!!

SON OF A...

YOU DIDN'T EVEN HESITATE TO ATTACK YOUR BEST FRIEND !

HUGHES IS DEAD!!

HE'S GONE !!

FOOM

DAMMIT... I HAVE NO CHOICE...

FWOOM

HIS FLAMES ARE TOO POWERFUL TO USE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO HIMSELF.

I HAVE TO SUCK IT UP AND ENGAGE HIM UP CLOSE!!

HAVE A TASTE OF YOUR OWN FLAMES--

BZAP

SKKID

AAAAAH!

NOT MY EYES AGAIN !

SIZZZ

I AM

GAAH!

GRAH!

HE'S ALTERNATING BETWEEN PINPOINT ATTACKS AND FULL-FORCE EXPLOSIONS !!

HE'S TOO TOUGH !!

DAMN.

LEAP

FWUMP

IT GOT AWAY AGAIN.

TCH!

FWUMP

!

WHERE COULD ENVY BE...?

GRIN

KLAK KLAK KLAK

KLAAK
KLAAK
KLAAK
KLAAK
KLA...
KLAK
KLAK
KLAK

I TOLD YOU NOT TO FOLLOW ME, LIEU-TENANT

SOR-RY, SIR.

BUT I COULDN'T JUST SIT BACK AND WAIT..

OH..

DAMN IT!

THIS PLACE IS LIKE A MAZE !

IT GOT AWAY.

WHERE'S ENVY?

DON'T LEAVE MY SIDE, LIEU-TENANT.

FOLLOW ME

...!!

CHAK

WHO?

DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH.

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE POINTING THAT GUN AT?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

...CALLS ME RIZA WHEN WE'RE ALONE.

THE COLO-NEL...

SO THAT'S HOW IT IS BETWEEN YOU TWO?

TCH!

BLAM

I LIED.

BLAM BLAM

NOW, THIS IS THE PART WHERE YOU DIE.

THANKS FOR TAKING THE BAIT, ENVY.

BLAM BLAM BLAM BLAM

WHA.

BLAM BLAM BLAM BLAM BLAM BLAM BLAM

VOOM!

THAT HURT !!

BLAM BLAM BLAM BLAM BLAM

OW...

TING TING

BL AM

RRGH !!

SNAP

GACHAK

BL AM

BI AM

BI AM

CHOCK

SPLAT

SPLIK

GAAGH!

KABLAM

GWOOM

...BITCH !!!

STOP SHOOTING AT ME, YOU...

BLURP

THWOMP

I'LL BEAT YOU LIKE A RAG DOLL AND THROW YOU BACK TO YOUR PRECIOUS COLONEL !

HA HAH !!

...!!

GIVOOM

FOOM

ZAASH!

KLAK
KLAK

KLAK

KLAK
KLAK
KLA
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
RRGH

HUF
HUFF
HUF
HUF

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO MY PRECIOUS SUBORDI-NATE?

KLA!

I SAID I WOULD TAKE CARE OF IT.

DON'T BE RECKLESS, LIEUTENANT

BZZT

BOOM

YOU DARE TO LOOK DOWN ON ME ?!

HUMAN SCUM !

BZT

BLOOP

FSSHH

AAH.

RRGH.

GAH.

SHAAA

PLONK

DAMN, YOU'RE UGLY.

IS THAT YOUR TRUE FORM, YOU BASTARD ?

SQUI

SQUISH

STOMP

SQUISH

WRIG

DAMN IT..

DAMN IT

NOT AGAIN...

WRIGGLE

GET OUT OF MY SIGHT FOR GOOD...

..ENVY !!

GOOOOO!!

VIP

NO..

D..

I DON'T WANNA DIE

NO..

DON'T DO IT..

THE NAME ENVY MEANS *JEALOUSY*.

I NOW SEE THAT JEALOUSY TRULY IS *UGLY AS SIN.*

CHAK

WEEZ

HUFF..

...?

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS, LIEUTEN-ANT?

LOWER YOUR GUN.

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF LETTING YOU DIRTY YOUR HANDS.

ONE MORE FLAME AND IT'S OVER.

I'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE, SIR.

THAT'S ENOUGH, COLO-NEL.

PLEASE PUT DOWN YOUR HAND.

I CAN'T OBEY THAT ORDER, SIR.

BZ ZASH

I SAID, LOWER YOUR GUN !!

I'M NOT JOKING !!

WHAP

?!

SNATCH

WHA...

?!




FULL-
MET-
AL...
HAND
IT
OVER
!!

I'M ONLY GOING TO SAY IT ONCE MORE.

HAND IT OVER, FULLMETAL.

NO WAY !!



Chapter 95
Beyond the Inferno



FULLMETAL
ALCHEMIST

OH YEAH! THIS GUY'S RIGHT ARM IS AUTO-MAIL.

CRAP! I CAN'T TAKE OVER HIS BODY!

CHOMP

CHOMP CHOMP

HAND IT OVER.

THAT THING NEEDS TO DIE AS PAINFULLY AS POSSIBLE FOR WHAT IT'S DONE!

I SAID NO.

I'LL TAKE YOU ON !!!

GO AHEAD AND TRY !!!

IF YOU DON'T, I'LL INCIN-ERATE YOUR ARM RIGHT ALONG WITH IT!!!

HAND IT OVER, FULL-METAL !!!

WITH A FACE LIKE THAT, HOW DO YOU EXPECT TO LEAD THIS COUNTRY?!!

BUT FIRST, TAKE A GOOD LOOK IN THE MIRROR!!

ISN'T THAT WHAT YOU'VE BEEN FIGHTING FOR, COLONEL ?!!

OR WILL YOU SUCCUMB TO YOUR RAGE AND FALL TO THE LEVEL OF A BEAST?

THAT'S YOUR OTHER OPTION.

HEY!

AS LONG AS WE SHARE THE SAME ENEMY, I WON'T TRY TO STOP YOU.

I HAVE NO RIGHT TO STAND IN THE WAY OF SOMEONE ELSE'S VENGEANCE.

BUT..

..I WONDER WHAT KIND OF WORLD CAN BE CREATED BY A BEAST HIDING IN THE SKIN OF A PERSON?

I WON'T LET YOU KILL ENVY, SIR.

BUT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF LETTING IT LIVE EITHER.

I'LL FINISH IT OFF.

BUT...

I KNOW !!!

...I'VE FINALLY GOT THE KILLER CORNERED !!!

BUT AFTER ALL THIS TIME...

THAT'S WHAT'S DRIVING YOU!!!

COLD-BLOODED HATRED--

...RIGHT NOW, YOUR ACTIONS AREN'T FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNTRY, OR EVEN YOUR OWN COMRADES!!

PLEASE, COLONEL.

YOU MUSTN'T TAKE THAT PATH!

IF YOU WANT TO SHOOT ME, GO AHEAD.

BUT WHAT WILL YOU DO AFTER I'M DEAD ?

AFTER THIS BATTLE IS OVER...

...I WILL ERASE MY LIFE, ALONG WITH THE SECRET TO FLAME ALCHEMY THAT'S LED GOOD MEN TO MADNESS.

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF LIVING ON ALONE.

SNAP

BOOM

FOOM FOOM

...

LOOK AT ME...

I CAN'T ALLOW THAT.

SCOLDED BY A CHILD...

PREACHED TO BY MY FORMER ENEMY...

I'M NOT LOSING YOU TOO.

...AND WORST OF ALL, DRIVING YOU TO CONSIDER SUCH A THING.

LOWER YOUR GUN, LIEUTEN-ANT.

I'M SORRY.

WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN.

...!

SLUMP

PLOP

YOU WERE THE MOST HONEST PERSON HERE!

WHAT IS THIS, SOME CONTEST TO SEE WHO CAN BE THE NICEST?

I'M GONNA THROW UP!!

YOU WEREN'T A FOOL!

...AND LISTEN TO YOUR INSTINCTS!

YOU HUMANS SHOULD JUST DROP THE PRETENSE OF KEEPING THE MORAL HIGH GROUND...

AND YOU, RUNT.

SCAR KILLED THE PARENTS OF YOUR LITTLE GIRLFRIEND, RIGHT?

RIGHT?!

COLONEL MUSTANG!

SCAR WAS TRYING TO KILL YOU, WASN'T HE?

SCAR WAS ALSO THE ONE WHO KILLED HER, WASN'T HE?!

OH YEAH! AND THE GIRL IN EAST CITY, WHOSE BODY WAS COMBINED WITH THAT OF A DOG!!

AND THAT WAR IN ISHBAL THAT WAS STARTED BY ME, ENVY!!

HA HA HA !!

THANKS TO ME, YOU GOT TO MURDER A LOT OF PEOPLE, DIDN'T YOU, LT. HAWKEYE ?!!

SCAR !!

TWO OF THE MOST EFFICIENT KILLERS IN THE GENOCIDE OF YOUR PEOPLE ARE RIGHT HERE IN FRONT OF YOU! NOW'S YOUR CHANCE!!

WHAT A GROUP WE HAVE HERE!! KEEP HATING, CRYING AND KILLING EACH OTHER AS YOU WRITHE IN MISERY!!

CRAWL ON THE GROUND LIKE WORMS !!

THERE'S NO WAY YOU INSECTS CAN LIVE PEACEFULLY TOGETHER!!

ISN'T THAT RIGHT, SMALL FRY?!!

SCAR !!!

MUSTANG !!!

HAWKEYE !!!

WHY...?

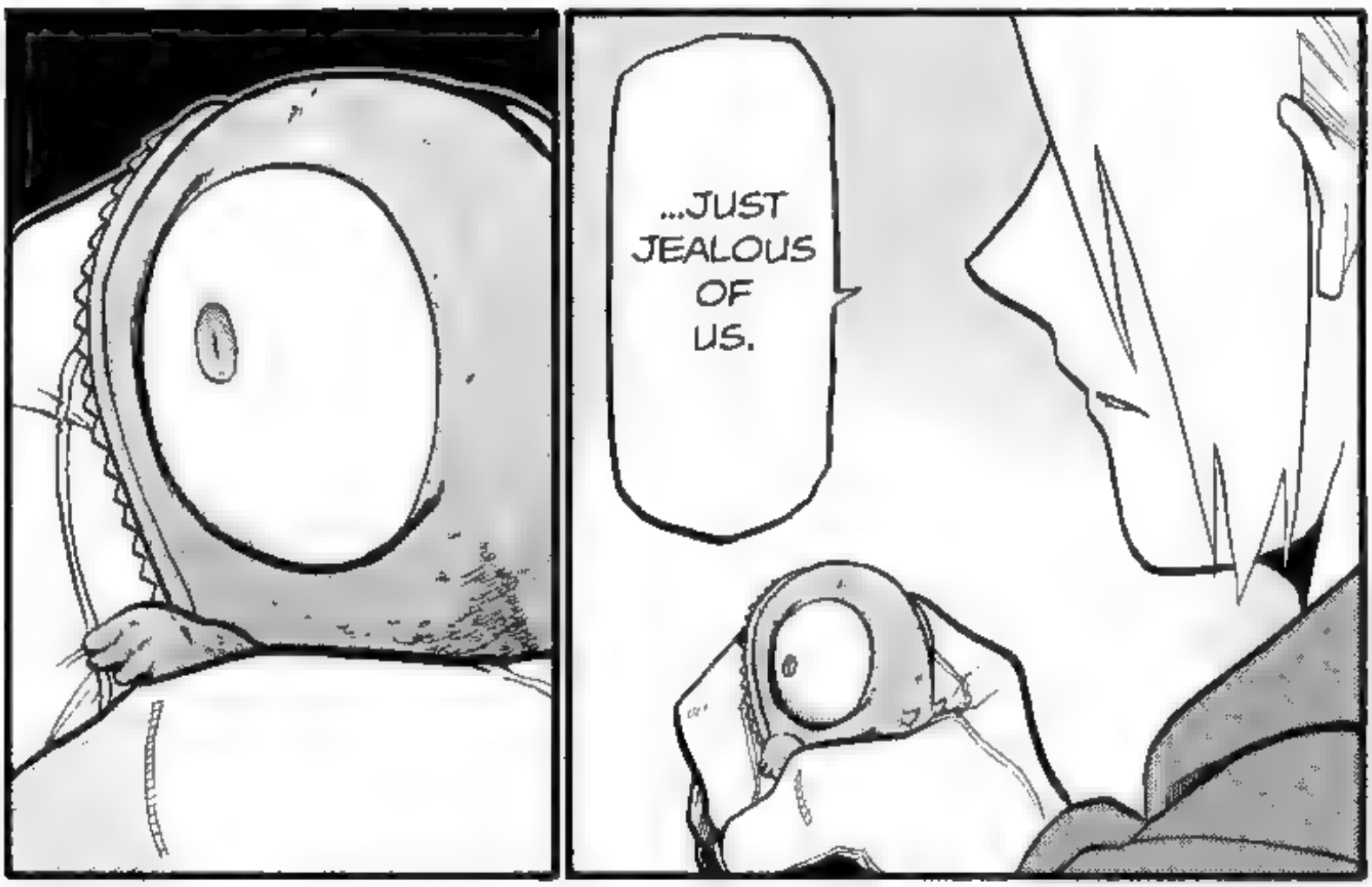
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ENVY ..

YOU'RE..

DAMN IT !!!

WHY?! WHY?!! WHY?!!!


...JUST JEALOUS OF US.


...LOSE OUR WAY...
...WE GET BEATEN DOWN...
...BE-COME DISCOUR-AGED...
HUMANS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE SO MUCH WEAKER THAN YOU HOMUNCULI, BUT NO MATTER HOW OFTEN...


WE FIND STRENGTH IN EACH OTHER.
...WE KEEP FIGHTING ON.
...AND EVEN IF WE KNOW THAT IT'S FOR SUPER-FICIAL REA-SONS...
...COME CLOSE TO FALLING...

...YOU'RE JEALOUS OF HUMANS.

THAT'S WHY...

SHUV

DON'T TRY TO ESCAPE!

WRIG..

HEY..

WRIG WRIG WRIG...

KRAK

SNAP

UNNGH...

WRIG WRIG

CHOMP

YEOW !!

YOU IDIOT! IF YOU TRY TO FORCE YOURSELF FREE...

PLOMP

SQUIP

HEH HEH...

SQUIG...

HEH...

WAIT.

CHK

IT DOESN'T KNOW WHEN TO GIVE UP...

SLOG..

HUF

KRAK SNAP

SQUIG..

HUF

HUF

IT DOESN'T HAVE MUCH LONGER TO LIVE.

TO BE REDUCED TO THIS FORM...

HOW HUMILIATING...

HEH... HEH HEH...

...BY MERE HUMANS.

PANT PANT PANT PANT

PLOP

TO BE MOCKED BY YOU WORMS!

AND WORST OF ALL...

...THE MOST PATHETIC, INSIGNIFICANT ONE OF YOU...

IT'S THE ULTIMATE INSULT.

THE DAMN KID ACTUALLY SHOWS ME COMPASSION !!!

SHRIP

GLOMP

GLOOMP

LET'S SEE HOW FAR IT TAKES YOU

GOOD LUCK WITH THAT SUPERFICIAL MORALITY OF YOURS..

GRAB

HA HA..

SPLOOT

SQUISH

ZSHH ZSHH

ZSHH

..ED.. WARD..

ELRIC..

GOOD-BYE..

ZAAASH

THE COWARD.

IT TOOK ITS OWN LIFE.

GURG... GURG...

GAR

UNCH

A SQUAD

C SQUAD! WHAT'S WITH THIS HOLE?!

BZZT FZZT

BZZT

ALL RIGHT, BUT MAKE IT QUICK.

YOU'RE JUST IN TIME! GIVE US A HAND!

WE HAVE URGENT ORDERS TO EXECUTE MAJOR GENERAL ARM-STRONG.

WHOA..

WHAT A MON-STER..

ITS WOUNDS ARE HEALING !!

EVERYONE UP HERE LOOKS LIKE THEY WERE BLUDGEONED TO DEATH...

WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON?

YOU'RE JUST IN TIME!!

GLARE

WHOA!

THE MAJOR GENERAL ?!!!

LUNGE

WHAT THE--?!

WHAT ARE THOSE THINGS ?!!

HUH ?

HUH ?

WE'LL EXPLAIN LATER-- JUST DO WHAT SHE SAYS!!

FROM THIS MOMENT ON, I WILL BE TAKING COMMAND OF BOTH C AND A SQUADS!!

EVERYONE, DUCK!!

!

HEFF!

THWOCK

HRMH!!

EYAA AAA AAH!!

GRAH

BULLETS HAVE NO EFFECT ON THEM!! SEVER THE UPPER JAW!!

THAT WAY, AT THE VERY LEAST, WE WON'T BE CHEWED TO DEATH.

SLICE

YES, SIR!

Y...

SHOW ME WHAT YOU CENTRAL CITY MAGGOTS ARE MADE OF!!

ORGANIZE INTO GROUPS OF TWO AND TAKE OUT AT LEAST ONE OF THEM!!

WHACK

BAM

WHAM

SHUNK

TOO MUCH.

KLANK

MY JOB.

WHAT WAS IT AGAIN?

UH...

KABAM

SLAM

OH.

I REMEMBER.

MUST KILL THE LADY GENERAL

TUG
TUG
TUG
TUG
TUG
RRGH !!
ZING
HAVING ONE ARM OUT OF COMMIS-SION ISN'T HELPING !!
YOU'RE NOT GOING ANY-WHERE !!
TUG
LEGGO.
THWACK

WE DID, BUT THOSE THINGS ATE HIM!!

HIS ARM'S DIS-LOCATED! DO WE HAVE A MEDIC?!

MA-JOR !!

WHAM WHAM WHAM WHAM WHAM

THUCK

WHAM

I TRAINED MY YOUNGER BROTHER TO WITHSTAND WORSE THAN THIS!!!

LEAVE HIM BE!!

GEN-ERAL !!

HE'S GETTING BEAT TO A PULP!!

WHOOSH

GWOO

TOO MUCH.

WORK.

MUST

FINISH HIM

SN OOK

MAJOR!

THWAM

VRRRRM

MY SHOULDER'S...

ZING ZING ZING

FIXED!!

FWUMP

HMH !!

GOOD !!

BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM

NNG...

YAH!

THOR

AN EXCELLENT AND ELEGANT VICTORY !!!

YOU SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN MY PERFECT MUSCLES AND SUPERIOR ALCHEMY COME TOGETHER IN COLLAB-ORATION?!

THERE'S NO ONE HERE!

THE ARM-STRONG MANSION IS COM-PLETELY DE-SERTED!

SO THIS IS WHERE THOSE BASTARDS ASSEMBLED THEIR TANK!

KREE...

DAMN IT...

AAAH..

KABOOM!

WE'RE UNDER ATTACK !!

WE'VE ENCOUNTERED A TANK! FROM BRIGGS, MOST LIKELY!

COME IN, CENTRAL COMMAND !!

THIS IS MAIN GATE, UPPER FLOOR !!

STOP SHOUTING!!

I CAN SEE WELL ENOUGH FROM HERE !!

THIS IS MAIN GATE, UPPER FLOOR !!

COME IN, CENTRAL COMMAND !!

...RETURN FIRE!!

ALL TROOPS..

I WILL TAKE FULL RE-SPONSI-BILITY !!

CENTRAL COMMAND, MAIN GATE ARTILLERY...

IF WE WAIT FOR THAT, WE'LL LOSE THE GATE!!

BUT, SIR! WE HAVEN'T FINISHED EVACU-ATING THE CIVILIANS YET!!

KABOOM

?!

GA CH A N K

YOU WERE REALLY GOING TO OPEN FIRE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE CIVILIAN SECTOR?

DO YOU WANT THAT TO BE BROAD-CASTED ON THE RADIO TOO?

SNIK

HOW DID YOU GET IN HERE?

THOSE UNIFORMS-- YOU'RE BRIGGS MEN!!

FUNNY STORY. WE GOT A GUY HERE WHO USED TO WORK IN HQ. YOU SEND PEOPLE TO BRIGGS YOU WANT TO FORGET, BUT HE CERTAINLY REMEMBERED HOW TO FIND YOU GUYS.

STRIDE STRIDE

WHEN SOMEONE ASKS, I USUALLY SAY, "I'M A HOUSE-WIFE."

CALL ME OLD-FASHIONED.

STRIDE STRIDE

ON THE CON-TRARY, IT WASN'T HARD FOR HER AT ALL.

WH... WHO WAS IT?!

ALSO, WE HAD A LITTLE HELP FROM SOMEONE WHO MADE A TUNNEL HERE ALL THE WAY FROM THE CIVILIAN SECTOR.

THAT'S IMPOS-SIBLE !!

BUT TODAY, I'M FEELING A LITTLE SASSY.

TA-DA!!

I'M AN ALCHEMIST !!!!!

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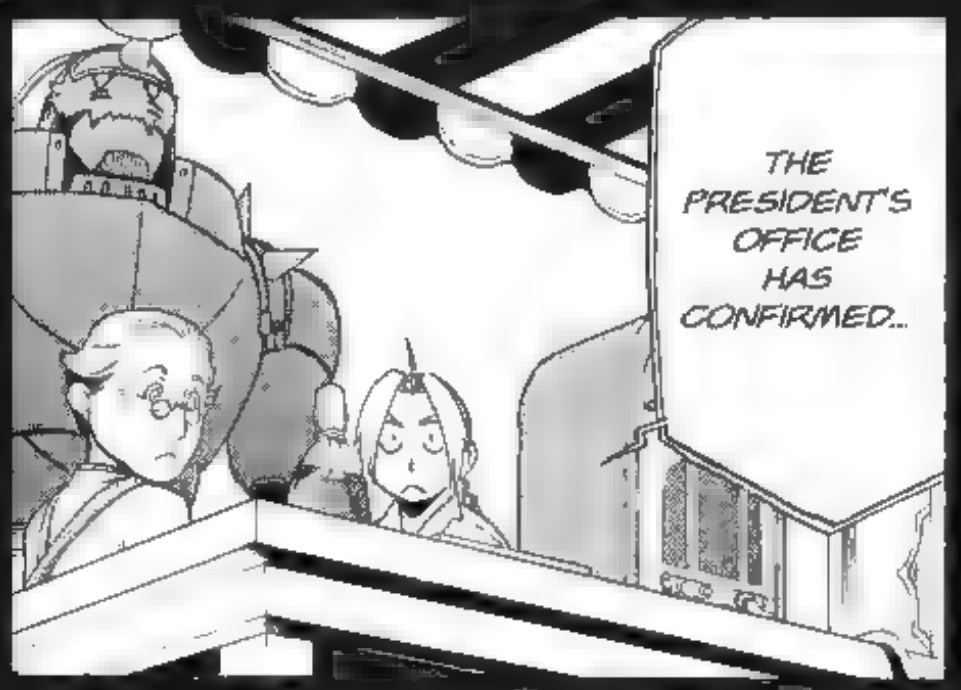
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Prologue




WHAT?! YOU DON'T LIKE MY DRAWING ?!
THAT'S A CAT ?!
EXCUSE ME, WE'RE LOOKING FOR A YOUNG GIRL WHO'S TRAVELING WITH A CAT THAT LOOKS LIKE THIS...
FORE CAST FOR NEXT WEEK.







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EXTRA, EXTRA !!

A TRUCE HAS BEEN DECLARED!! THE SOUTHERN BORDER WARS ARE OVER!!

PEACE DIP-LOMATS ARE ON THEIR WAY!!

FOR YEARS, EACH NATION HAS FOUGHT THE OTHER TO EXPAND ITS BORDERS.

AERUGO-- AMESTRIS'S NEIGHBOR TO THE SOUTH..

Amestris

Aerugo

Ishval

THE SECOND SOUTH-AREA BORDER WAR BEGAN IN RESPONSE TO THE AERUGO GOVERNMENT'S INVOLVEMENT DURING THE ISHBALAN CIVIL WAR.

THE ISHBALANS, A MINORITY ETHNIC GROUP, WERE GIVEN WEAPONS AND INTEL BY THE AERUGO GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE AMESTRIAN LOSSES, BUT IN THE END, THE ISHBALANS WERE LEFT TO FEND FOR THEMSELVES.

...THAT HIS HIGHNESS, PRINCE CLAUDIO OF AERUGO, WILL BE MAKING AN OFFICIAL STATE VISIT TO AMESTRIS!

YEAAAH!

WHILE THAT WAR IS OVER, THERE IS SOME ANXIETY ABOUT RETALIATORY VIOLENCE FROM ISHBALAN TERRORISTS.

HIS HIGHNESS WILL BE TRAVELING IN A PRIVATE TRAIN COMPARTMENT AND IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE TOMORROW MORNING, SIR.

CRUMPA

DO PEOPLE BE-LIEVE...

...THIS CURSED HISTORY ?

EVERYONE! MAKE SURE TO GIVE HIS HIGHNESS A WARM AND MUSCULAR WELCOME!

YES, MASTER ALEX!

I TRUST THAT PREPARA-TIONS FOR THE WELCOMING FESTIVITIES ARE GOING SMOOTHLY ?

YES, SIR. ALL SECTORS OF THE CITY ARE ON TRACK.

PEOPLE SURE ARE GETTING WORKED UP OVER THIS VISIT.

I DON'T BLAME THEM!

HOW'S IT LOOK?

MAYBE WE SHOULD PUT UP MORE AERUGO FLAGS.

OF COURSE, WE'RE ALL A LITTLE WORRIED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A TERRORIST ATTACK, BUT OTHERWISE, EVERYONE'S THRILLED!

HMM... EVERY-ONE, HUH?

THANKS TO THE TRUCE, A LOT OF PEOPLE'S FAMILY MEMBERS ARE COMING BACK FROM THE FRONT!

AND FOR US VENDORS, FESTIVALS ARE ALWAYS GREAT FOR BUSINESS!

SAFE TRIP

HEY, DID YOU SEE THIS ?!

IT'S THE PRINCE OF AERUGO !

I SAW IT !

ISN'T HE DREAMY ?!

SQUEEEL

...

CLAUDIO RICO AERUGO...

KLAK

KLAK

KLAK

I NEVER DID LIKE THAT ROYAL PUNK.

CRUMPA

I THINK I'M GONNA GO BUY A NEW OUTFIT!

I DON'T WANNA MARRY A SOLDIER !

I WISH I COULD MARRY A MAN LIKE HIM!

I HEAR HE'S SINGLE !

SQUEEEAL

"THE PRINCE OF DAWN."

THE PEOPLE ARE CALLING HIM THE RISING SUN THAT WILL BRING AN END TO THE DARKNESS OF WAR.

I SEE.

SIP

EVERYONE SEEMS TO BE EAGERLY ANTICIPATING HIS HIGHNESS CLAUDIO'S VISIT.

PRINCE OF

WE'LL SEE...

YOU THINK YOU CAN CHANGE THE SKIES OF THIS COUNTRY ?

BUT EVEN THE RISING SUN IS DESTINED TO FALL TO EARTH.

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS!

WHOA ! LOOK AT ALL THESE PEOPLE !

I HEAR THERE'S EVEN GOING TO BE AN AJTO-MAIL COMPETI-TION.

YEAH, I BET WINRY'S GONNA GO NUTS OVER THAT...

I'LL SHOW THE WORLD WHAT I'M MADE OF!

THIS IS MY CHANCE !

LOOKS LIKE THERE ARE A LOT OF FUN EVENTS GOING ON.

ROT RESTAURANT

SO THIS IS AMESTRIS...

...BIG BROTHER.

SEE YOU SOON...

CHUGA

CHUGA

CHUGA

CLAUDIO, THE PRINCE OF DAWN, IS ABOUT TO MAKE A FATEFUL VISIT TO AMESTRIS.

PARDON ME, YOUR HIGHNESS.

CHUGA

CHUGA

CHUGA

THERE ARE MANY WHO WELCOME HIM, SOME WHO ARE WARY OF HIM AND A FEW WHO WOULD PLOT AGAINST HIM.

..PRINCE CLAUDIO.

CHUGA

WE WILL BE ARRIVING IN AMESTRIS SHORTLY...

CHUGA

IN CENTRAL CITY, IN THE MIDST OF CELEBRATION, EACH OF THESE VIEWPOINTS IS ABOUT TO COLLIDE!



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PRINCE OF DAWN



HOW WILL IT GO DOWN?!

FIND OUT...ONLY ON NINTENDO WII!!

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STRONG!!



AND YOU!!




THE TWO IMMORTALS WITH ONE PAST...
...FACE OFF AT LAST...

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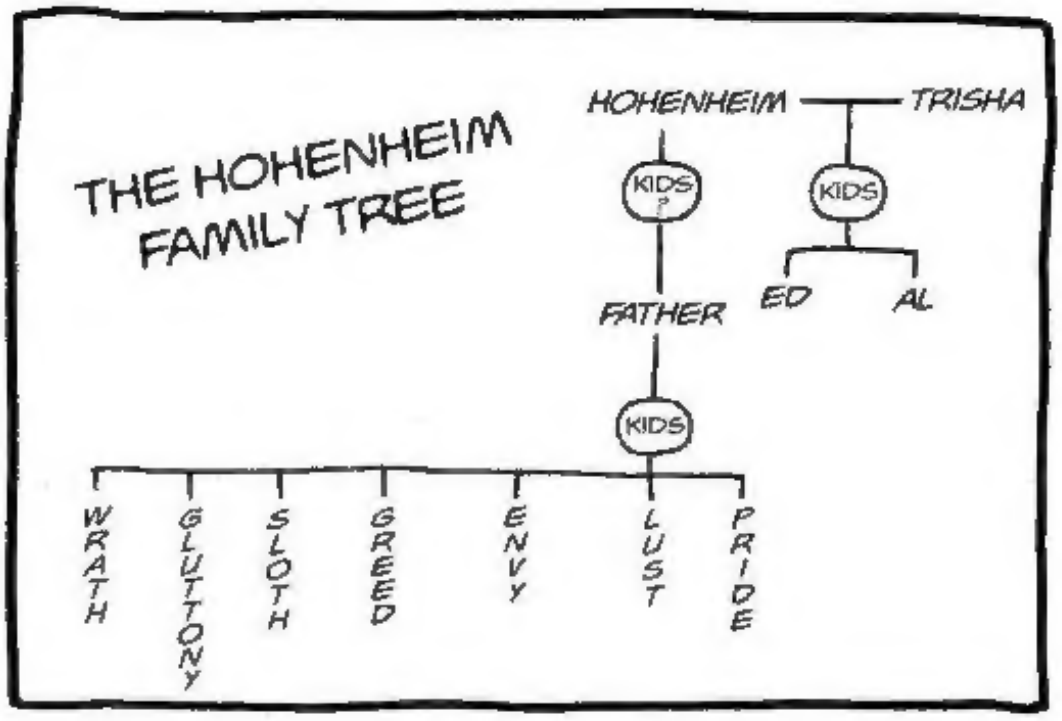


...AND THE WORLD IS IN THE BALANCE!

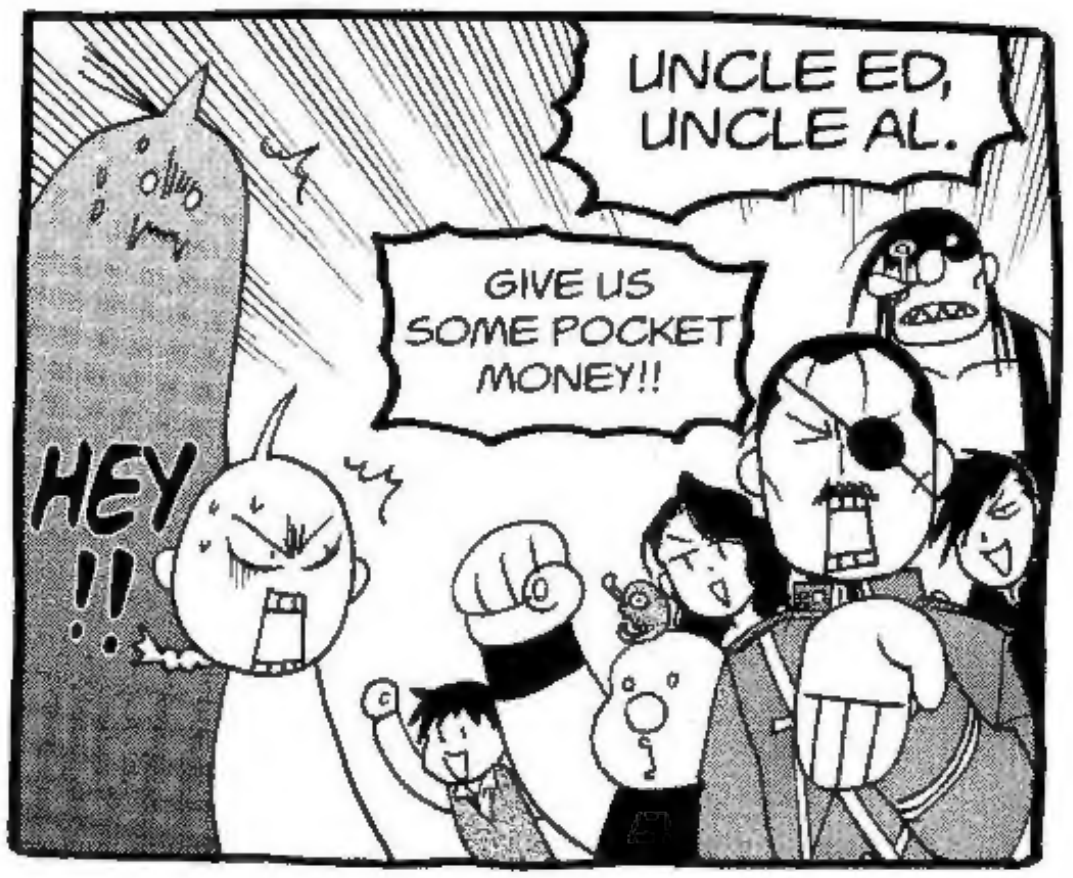
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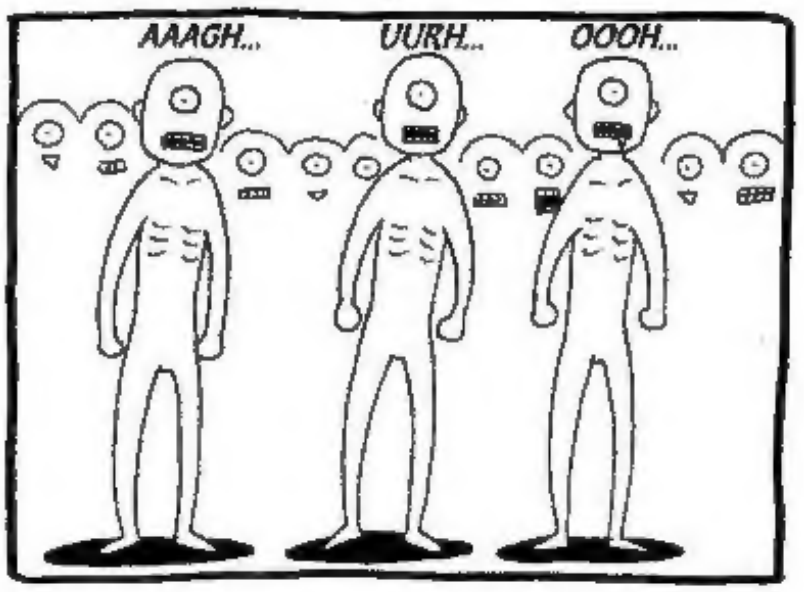
THE EAGERLY ANTICIPATED FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST



WHICH MEANS...



...IS THIS HOW THINGS COULD BE?


AAAGH...
UURH...
OOOH...


PUT ON SOME UNDER-WEAR!
OKAAAY.
DISGRACEFUL! YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE THIS NEIGHBORHOOD LOOK BAD!


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